

Abstract of the Net Produce of the Revenue of Great Britain, in the Years and Quarters ending 5th January, 1823, and 5th January, 1824, shewing the Increase or Decrease on each head thereof.

	Years ended 5th January		Increase	Decrease
	1823	1824		
Customs,	9,397,110	10,406,430	1,009,317	
Excise,	25,747,441	23,956,467		1,907,974
Stamps,	6,208,552	6,362,620	154,068	
Post Office,	1,359,000	1,387,000	28,000	
Taxes,	6,994,007	6,188,877		805,130
Miscellaneous,	413,400	1,188,060	774,660	
	50,109,510	49,439,454	1,966,045	2,596,104
	Deduct Increase,			1,966,045
	Decrease on the Year,			630,059
	Quarters ended January 5			
	1823	1824	Increase	Decrease
Customs,	2,406,238	2,833,345	447,107	
Excise,	6,291,908	5,847,132		444,776
Stamps,	1,450,987	1,556,810	105,823	
Post Office,	324,000	361,000	37,000	
Taxes,	2,545,231	1,946,084		599,147
Miscellaneous,	144,342	860,684	716,342	
	13,162,706	13,425,055	1,306,272	1,043,923
	Deduct Decrease,			1,043,923
	Increase on the Quarter,		262,349	

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It is ordered for the future that no British subject is to accept of any foreign order, or to wear the insignia, without first obtaining a warrant under the sign manual, granting his Majesty's permission to do so, which warrant is to be addressed to the Earl Marshal of England.

A new coinage of half crowns is coming out, which it is said will be much superior to those in circulation, in the elegance and execution of the device. Owing to omission of the wreath round the head of his Majesty as represented on the double Sovereigns, but few of them have been struck off, and it is intended that in future they shall bear the same device as the half crowns, in place of St. George and the Dragon as at present.

Captain Franklin is to set out again next Spring, on an expedition overland to the McKenzie and Copper Mine Rivers.

Nautical Science has received a very great improvement, in an invention by Mr. Adams, the Rector of the Academy of Inverness; Mr. A. by the adapting of an eye-tube to the telescope of a sextant, has contrived a method of taking altitudes at sea when the horizon is invisible. He has lately returned from a cruise among the Orkney Islands, on board of the *Clio*, where he has been for some time, to ascertain more fully how far his discovery is applicable in practice. It appears from the report that considerable dexterity and care is requisite at first in adapting and managing the eye-tube; but as soon as this is attained, the discovery will be highly useful in navigation, as by it the latitude—time at the ship, and of course the Longitude can be ascertained in situations where the horizon is invisible.

A new description of Wheat has been lately introduced into Britain by Captains Irby and Mangles from Mount Heshbon, hence termed Heshbon Wheat. The ears are bearded, twice the size of common Wheat—one of them weighed 103 grains Troy. The number of grains on one ear were 84. The stalk was 5 feet 1 inch in height.